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Dear Jerry,

When I work ~~my~~ my way out from under the accumulation, I'll write you. Enclosed are a letter to Gervasi at Viking and a copy of the magazine piece I spoke to you about but you never had time to read. Theron Raines has a visceral objection to any aspect of the subject, so I have no agent. I had sent it to John Appleton, who is no longer at the Post. It was returned by Linda Nye, his former secretary, who said she had showed it to Bill Ewald, "another Post editor". She quotes him as saying "the Post is not now interested although he was interested in the information."

People at the NAL booth insist they have heard the Post is interested in the book. They have it. Their objection last year was that it was too tersely written to do in less than 40,000 words, which is nonsense. This year Appleton told me it is because none of them believe a sharp cookie like Robbie would conduct such an investigation of his own brother's murder. I told them he had completely disassociated himself from it and has since. However, I keep getting private reports that he has an interest and has obtained some of the suppressed pictures.

You were wonderful. Thanks. And thanks for ~~xxxxx~~ anything you may do with this. If you cannot or will not, please return it. The only agent who ever was interested is Max Wilkinson, and he told me he did nothing, so I see no point in sending it to him.

Aside from what has been sold and what we have mailed out from here, there are now 2751 copies of Whitewash in commercial channels!. Most have just reached or are on they way to distributors- A&A, Bookazine, Dimondstein, District News, and Raymar. Como Sales is to sell. I'll hear from Teplinger after he reads and consults. Howard Greenfield and I never got together. His interest is France. Crombie was to see him, give him the name of my British agent and my desire for French representation if Harbord in England hadn't arranged it. He has in Germany.

Wonderful letter from wonderful Sally. Again, there can't be enough thanks.

Sincerely,